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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED 05/09/2002

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

The present is an amendment and a response to the Office Action mailed on May 9, 2002 for the above identified case. A two-month request for extension of time is hereby enclosed making the due date October 9, 2002. Please deduct any necessary fees from Deposit Account No. 13-3723.

AMENDMENTS**A. In the specification:**

Please replace page 22 of the original specification in its entirety with the following:

ABSTRACT

The heat shrunk outer jacket has a desired bend radius curvature.